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Mr. David Waddell **Executive Secretary** Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

Re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and DSLnet Communications, LLC Pursuant to Sections 251

and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Docket No. 99-00564

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, DSLnet Communications, LLC and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and thirteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement. The Amendment removes the bolded language at the beginning of Attachment 4.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Guy M. Hicks

cc: Wendy Bluemling, Director of Regulatory Affairs for DSLnet

### BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In re:

Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and DSLnet Communications, LLC Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Docket No. 99-00564

99-00899

# PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND DSLNET COMMUNICATIONS, LLC PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996

COME NOW, DSLnet Communications, LLC ("DSLnet) and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, DSLnet and BellSouth state the following:

- 1. DSLnet and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to DSLnet. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on September 14, 1999.
- 2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement.

  The Amendment removes the bolded language at the beginning of Attachment 4. A copy

  of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- 3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, DSLnet and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and DSLnet within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. DSLnet and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval.

6. Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Act, BellSouth shall make the Agreement available upon the same terms and conditions contained therein.

DSLnet and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 22 day of Nov., 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the day of day of 1999.

Wendy Bluemling Director of Regulatory Affairs DSLnet Communications, LLC 545 Long Warf Drive New Haven, CT 06492

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#### AMENDMENT TO THE

## AGREEMENT BETWEEN BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND DSLNET COMMUNICATIONS, LLC DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1999

Pursuant to this Agreement, (the "Amendment"), DSLNET Communications, Inc. ("DSL"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated February 16, 1999 ("Agreement").

WHEREAS, DSL and BellSouth adopted in its entirety the DIECA Communications, Inc., d/b/a Covad Communications Company Interconnection Agreement executed December 1, 1998; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

1. Attachment 4 of the Interconnection Agreement, as amended on July 6, 1999, is hereby amended to removed the following language:

The rates, terms and conditions contained within this Attachment were negotiated as a whole and each rate, term and condition within the Attachment is interdependent upon the other rates, terms and conditions.

- 2. All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated February 16, 1999, shall remain in full force and effect.
- 3. Either or both of the Parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Amendment to be executed by their respective duly authorized representatives on the date indicated below.

DSLNET Communications, LLC	BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.
By Werry J. Bluemby	Ву:
Name: Wendy S. Bluemling	Name: Jerry Hendrix
Title: Director- Regulatory	Title: Senior Director
Date: 00thson 18, 1999	Date: 10/20/09